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SUBJECT: JAPANESE PRESS TREATMENT OF STATE DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON
US-NORTH KOREAN NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS

1. VARIOUS JAPANESE NEWSPAPERS GAVE FRONT-PAGE COVERAGE TO
MAY 25 STATEMENT FROM STATE DEPARTMENT ON POSSIBILITY OF
IMPROVEMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN US AND NORTH KOREA. PRESS
ACCOUNTS REPORTED US CONDITIONS FOR SUCH IMPROVEMENT--THAT
NORTH KOREAN ALLIES TAKE SIMILAR STEPS TOWARD SOUTH KOREA
AND THAT ROK REPRESENTATIVES BE INCLJDED IN DISCUSSIONS
WITH DPRK--BUT HEADLINES GAVE MORE FORTHCOMING IMPRESSION
OF US POSITION. (MAINICHI: "US READY TO HAVE CONTACTS
WITH NORTH KOREA.")

2. YOMIURI REPORT FROM WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT OIKAWA
NOTED: "ALTHOUGH THESE TWO CONDITIONS INDICATE IT WILL
BE DIFFICULT TO REALIZE THE TALKS, IT IS SIGNIFICANT AS
THE FIRST TIME THE US HAS MADE A CONCRETE PROPOSAL
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FOR TALKS WITH NORTH KOREA ON NORMALIZATION OF
RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES." YOMIURI ALSO
NOTED STATEMENT REPRESENTED "SUBTLE CHANGE" IN US
ATTEITUDE TOWARD NORTH KOREA AS IT REFERRED TO PURPOSE
OF US-DPRK TALKS AS NORMALIZATIN OF DIPLOMATIC TIES
AND NOT, AS IN PREVIOUS US STATEMENTS, DEVELOPMENT OF
POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES TO EXISTING CEASE-FIRE AND

ARMISTICE AGREEMENT.
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